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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace page 6, lines 29-32 with the following amended paragraph:

Handle aperture cut lines 64A and B are shown in the respective top end flap 38 and 40. Cut lines 66A and B are shown in inserts 58A and B. Phantom cut lines 68A and B (i.e. identical to cut lines 66A and B) for the insert aperture apertures are shown when the inserts ~~38~~ 58A and 40 B have been placed in proper position on the top end flap flaps.

Please replace page 8, lines 9-13 with the following amended paragraph:

The reinforcement of the handle aperture 50B is illustrated in FIG. 3 which is a fragmentary longitudinal cross-section of one end of the loaded carton shown in FIG. 2 showing the top end flap 40 with insert panel 58B in position and handle flap 52B folded over insert 58B and side end flap 34. Thus, the handle aperture ~~52B~~ 50B is protected from tearing by four layers of paperboard.

Please replace page 9, lines 1-3 with the following amended paragraph:

The handle apertures 150A and B have cut lines 164A and B defining the aperture apertures. The insert 158 also has a cut line lines 166A and B, which ~~is~~ are shown as phantom cut lines 168A and B when the insert 158 is properly positioned on the blank 110.

Please replace page 9, line 28 thru page 10, line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

As in the case of the blank shown in FIG. 1, the blank 110 as shown in FIG. 4 may be formed into a carton sleeve by gluing glue flap 126 to side panel 112. In the process of forming the carton sleeve the insert 158 may be put in proper position adjacent to top panel 114 and top end flaps 138 and 140. While this insert 158 could be placed on the outside of the carton, it is preferred for aesthetic reasons to place it on the inside of the carton. Because the insert is inserted into the carton at high speed by an insertion mechanism, there may be some imprecision in the

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alignment of insert 158 with top panel 114 and top end flaps 138 and 140. Thus, the side portions of the edge 162 of the insert 158 are shown by phantom line 162 on top panel 114 spaced inside fold lines 116 and 120. Thus, the insert 158 is constructed so that it is not as wide as top panel 114. In addition, insert apertures 160A and B are made slightly larger than handle apertures 150A and B as shown by comparing the phantom lines 168A and B of the cut lines 166A and B ~~in~~ of the insert ~~aperture~~ apertures 160A and B ~~than~~ with the handle aperture cut lines 164A and B.